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SUBJECT: PET ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION CONTINUES

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1. Reftel reported on the opening of GoB investigations into alleged dumping of Polyethylene Terephthalate polymers (PET) on the Brazilian market by South Korea, Taiwan, the U.S. and Argentina. Post received a July 13, 2004 letter from the Department of Trade Defense of the Ministry of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade notifying the USG that the GoB has decided to close the investigations of alleged PET dumping by South Korea and Taiwan without application of measures. Investigations of PET dumping on Brazil by Argentina and the U.S. remain open. An unofficial translation of the text of the letter follows in paragraph 2.

2. Begin text of translation:

Ministry of Development, Industry and Foreign Commerce,
Secretariat of Foreign Commerce, Department of Commercial

SIPDIS
Defense

Rio de Janeiro, July 13, 2004

Ambassador,

I make reference to proceeding no. MDIC/SECEX-RJ 52100-026149/2003-45, which was opened through SECEX Circular no. 10 of March 2, 2004, published in the Diario Oficial da Uniao on March 3, 2004, which involves a dumping investigation, to determine damage and causal connection, on the export to Brazil of Polyethylene Terephthalate polymers (PET) with intrinsic viscosity beginning at 0.7, classified in NCM/SH 3907.60.00, originating from Argentina, China Taipei (Taiwan), South Korea and the USA.

In accordance with article 61 of Decree no. 1602 of August 23, 1995, please be advised that the Secretariat of Foreign Commerce, through Circular no. 40 of July 5, 2004, published in the Diario Oficial da Uniao on July 7, 2004 (copy attached), decided to close the above mentioned investigation for those products of Chinese Taipei and Korean origin, without application of measures.

Sincerely,
(signed)
Leane Cornet Naidin
General Coordinator
End Text.

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